## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Case No. SIR-MIS-00004-US-PCT])

IN THE AP	PLICATION OF:	)	
Jadhav, Vasant et al.		) ) Examiner:	Chong, Kimberly
S/N.	10/597,755	) <b>Examiner:</b>	Choilg, Killiberry
371(c):	May 22, 2007	) Art Unit:	1635
Title	RNA Interference Mediated Inhibition of Gene Expression Using Multifunctional Short Interfering Nucleic Acid (Multifunctional siNA)	Confirmation No.	<b>58</b> 17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED MARCH 18, 2009

Sir:

Applicants now respond to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 18, 2009. Also submitted herewith is a petition for a one (1)-month extension of time and the required fee. No fees are believed due; however the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overages to our deposit account number 50-4615.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.